Reply of Government.—Land Revenue Rule 16 provides for this. If in any particular case there is a grievance representation may be made to the proper authorities on the subject.

Subject No. 158.

Water rate not to be levied when using water of breached tanks.

Mr. Ramanuja Iyengar. Gubbi Taluk.

Summary of Representation.—Water rates should not be levied in cases where water of breached tanks are used for wet cultivation of lands under tanks.

Withdrawn.

Subject No 159.

Preservation of avenue trees.

Mr. Amble Annaiya Pandit of Mysore District Fund Board.

Summary of Representation.—The branches of avenue trees are being indiscriminately cut off. It is requested that an order may be passed, directing the village *totis, patels,* and Police constables on beat duty to see to the prevention of such acts.

Reply of Government—Noted. The issue of a strict circular is very necessary. Deputy Commissioners should give their attention.

Subject No. 160.

Lands applied for to be given for an upset price and not sold by auction.

Mr. Tippe Rudrappa, Taluk Member, Davangere.

Summary of Representation.—The present system of giving out lands for cultivation by auction sale works very hard upon a poor raiyat, who being unable to compete with a well-to-do person in the auction sale cannot hope to get it for himself. It hinders all available lands being brought under cultivation, because of the indifference of persons in affluent circumstances, who being already in possession of sufficient lands, do not care to put in darkhasts for more lands, and because of the disappointments a poor raiyat, really in need of land, would meet with by the interference of a person in better circumstances as stated above. It is therefore proposed that the lands be given out to the applicant for an upset price without any sale.

Reply of Government—There is no necessity for revising the rules in as much as there are already proper rules on the subject and appeals are open.

Subject No. 161.

Rules for lands containing date-trees.

Mr. Balawanta Rao, Hassan.

Summary of Representation.—Applications for lands are rejected on the reason that they contain date-trees. On this flimsy plea many a valuable land is left uncultivated in the Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks, resulting in the loss of revenue to Government and want of land for cultivation to the raiyat. It is urged that some definite ruling in the matter may be laid down early.

Reply of Government—Noted. This matter will adjust itself when the work of reserving the date groves which is going on at present in the Excise Department is completed.

Subject No. 162.

Beds of tanks not to be retained as Amrut Mahal Kavals.

Mr. Hutcheeregowda of Gubbi Taluk.

Summary of Representation.—Beds of tanks should not be retained as *Amrut Mahal Kavals,* as such retention inconveniences the raiyats of surrounding villages, if no grass grows there and it is harassing to raiyats whose cattle go for water.

Reply of Government—Individual cases of hardship may be brought to notice by petition and they will be enquired into.

Subject No. 162A.

Partial cultivation under tanks not full.

Summary of Representation.—When tanks do not receive their full supply, some quantity of water must be reserved for drinking purposes and for the cultivation of only a portion of the lands thereunder.

Withdrawn.

Subject No. 163.

Revenue authorities may be empowered to help khatedars in recovering rent etc, from Saguvalidars.

(a) Mr. Sivarajapur Subbaraya Bhattaru.
„ Sarja Manjappa, Tirthahalli Taluk.
„ Nadig Sivappa, Sorab.

Summary of Representation.— (a) In Malnad Taluk, the saguvalidars enter into no written agreements with the khatedars in a majority of cases for cultivating their lands. If the saguvalidars be in possession of the lands continuously for more than 12 years they establish their hak to the lands as mulagenidars. On the strength of their long possession they not only fail to pay the annual rent to the khatedars but alienate their saguvali hak to others, for their own debts, besides selling crops. The khatedars having no means of recovering the rent or taking over possession of their lands have to resort to the Civil Courts. This procedure occupies a long time during which period the property will be allowed to deteriorate resulting in a considerable loss to the khatedars. It is therefore requested that Revenue authorities may be empowered to deal with such cases so as to afford necessary relief to the khatedars in recovering the rent by means of coercive measures and taking possession of their lands from defaulting saguvalidars. Mr. Nadig Sivappa was of opinion that Amildars may be authorized in this behalf.

(b) Shikmidars and other enjoyers of land to be held responsible for arrears of kandayam due on their shares, the present practice of proceeding against the entire survey number being prejudicial to the khatedar.

Reply of Government.—The Revenue Commissioner will be asked to report, if any remedial measures are called for.

Subject No 163A.

Amildars to take cognizance of complaints of lands, &c. usurped.

Mr. Amble Annaiya Pandit.
„ K. Venkatasubbaiya, Mysore District Fund Board.

Summary of Representation.—Lands, pathways and hickals, belonging to helpless females, minors and ignorant raiyats are usurped by influential men. It is requested that a rule may be laid down empowering Amildars to take cognizance of such cases and to dispose of them after local enquiry.

Withdrawn.

Subject No. 164.

Revival of the practice of payment of kandayam to Taluk or District Treasuries.

Mr. Srinivasa Rao, Mysore.

Summary of Representation.—Under the revised rules all payments of Revenue are to be made to the patel of the village in which the land is situated. This rule while holding good in the case of those owning lands in one village tells hard upon the raiyats owning in two or three villages. Prays that the old order of making payment to the District or Taluk Treasuries may be revived.

Messrs. Hussain Ali Beg, Balakrishna Rao, Srinivasa Rao, Annaiya Pandit, Sivappa, Guru Rao, Balavanta Rao